

# ROOSEVELT OFF FOR GREAT HUNT

EX-PRESIDENT SAILS AWAY TO DARK CONTINENT

TO BE IN AFRICA A YEAR

Then He Will Travel and Speak in Europe—Three Skilled Naturalists and His Son Kermit Accompany Him.

New York—Theodore Roosevelt, ex-president of the United States, sailed out of New York harbor Tuesday on the steamer *Hannover* of the Hamburg-American line on the way to his much heralded hunting trip in British East Africa.

The distinguished travelers occupy the "imperial suite" on the upper promenade deck, which was used by the German emperor in the winter of 1905-06.

On the dock was a large assemblage of Mr. Roosevelt's friends, who had gathered to bid him God-speed, and who cheered him as he stood at the rail of the steamer waving his hand and smiling with delight. Beside him stood the three men selected from hundreds of applicants to accompany him and assist him in collecting the specimens of African fauna which he hopes to send back for the enrichment of the Smithsonian institution. These fortunate individuals were May Edgar A. Mearns, Loring Attean and Edmund Heller. They comprise the Smithsonian's expedition. The fifth member of the little party, and not to be considered of least importance, was the ex-president's second son, Kermit, who will be the official photographer of the expedition and, next to his father, the chief hunter.

#### To Mombasa Via Naples

Mr. Roosevelt will go via Gibraltar to Naples, where he will board a steamer of the German East African line for Kiliandu harbor, the port of Mombasa. At the latter place the party will be joined by R. J. Cunningham, an Englishman of long experience in Africa, who has been engaged as general manager and guide.

The party will spend a short time in Mombasa and then proceed by train on the Uganda railway to Nairobi headquarters of the administration of British East Africa Protectorate, a city of 13,000 inhabitants of whom 379 are Europeans.

#### On MacMillan's Ranch

William Northrop MacMillan, formerly of St. Louis, owns a large estate near Nairobi and his big luxurious residence will be headquarters for about six months while the hunters and scientists make trips of varying length in all directions. It is in this section that Mr. Roosevelt hopes to obtain most of his specimens, for it abounds with animals of all kinds. The smaller mammals will be trapped.

The supplies of the party are packed in wooden boxes. Those boxes when they have been emptied will be used as packing cases for the various specimens. Many valuable natural history specimens have been spared by amateur and other collectors. It has been found from experience in other expeditions, and it is to guard against this that the railroad boxes are being taken along.

#### Caring for Specimens

When the specimens have been gathered they will be carefully packed in the boxes and shipped to Nairobi, where they will be forwarded to the United States. One of the guides will always be with Mr. Roosevelt, and as soon as any game is shot to him it will be skinned and prepared on the spot.

Mr. Roosevelt will be greatly disconcerted if he fails to kill several specimens of the white rhinoceros.

#### Cat Fosters Rabbits

At Westbrook, Suffolk, England, a tame rabbit had six young ones. The mother was killed accidentally. The mother cat has since adopted and fattened them, and is bringing them up as if they were her own kittens.

#### Misappropriation

For it would have been better that man should have been born dumb, say void of all reason, rather than that he should employ the gifts of Providence to the destruction of his neighbor—Quintillian.

#### The Bachelor Tax in Bulgaria

Bulgaria's tax of two dollars a year on bachelors can make no practical difference. Any man who would marry in order to save that sum is too poor a financier to be worth while as a husband.

#### Fish Convey Germs

Experiments made in Germany prove that the germs of cholera or typhoid may endanger not only those who live below stream, but also those above the polluted point, as fish carry the germs upstream.

This animal is the same as the square-mouthed rhinoceros and is the nearest living ally to the type of the extinct Tichorhin or woolly rhinoceros which lived in England at the close of the Glacial period.

#### Journey Across Uganda.

Leaving Nairobi in October, the party will proceed by the Uganda railway to Port Florence, on the shores of Lake Victoria Nyanza, where a short stop will be made, then a steamer will be taken to Entebbe, 10 miles away. There a caravan will be formed and the journey across Uganda to the Nile will begin. It is expected that the White Nile will be reached about the first of the year 1910. Lake Albert Nyassa will be touched at Kilwa.

In a general way the course of the Nile will be followed to Gondorion and thence to Khartoum. At this city Mr. Roosevelt and Kermit will be joined by Mrs. Roosevelt and they will continue down the Nile slowly to Cairo, visiting many points of interest on the way.

#### To Speak in European Capitals.

Plans for the remainder of the ex-president's two years tour have not been decided upon definitely, but the time will be spent in Europe, and several matters of importance have been announced. He will visit Berlin at the

peak of his address before the students of the University of Berlin. French in his lecture at the Sorbonne, and English in delivering the Romanes Lecture at Oxford.

#### Pays His Own Expenses.

Mr. Roosevelt will defray the expenses of himself and his son on the African trip, but those of the scientists and the cost of preparing the specimens and shipping them to America will be paid out of a fund secured for the purpose by the Smithsonian Institution.

One of the objects of Mr. Roosevelt in taking this trip is for the purpose of collecting material for writing several books regarding his experiences. During last summer he contracted with Charles Scribner's Sons of New York giving that firm all the rights for the serial and bookform publication of whatever he might write on his visit to Africa. It is said that the contract price agreed upon is \$1 per word and this never has been verified.

#### No Slaughter of Animals.

Even if the British colonial government should offer to their open to Mr. Roosevelt and his companions the African game preserves under its control, the ex-president will refuse to take advantage of this opportunity. Like other true sportsmen, he believes that the utmost protection should be given to wild animals on reservations.



ROUTE OF THE ROOSEVELT PARTY IN AFRICA.

invitation of Emperor William and while there will deliver an address upon the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the University of Berlin.

From Germany he will go to France and deliver an address at the Sorbonne. It has not been learned how long Mr. Roosevelt intends to stay in Berlin and Paris. After his visit in France Mr. Roosevelt will go to England, where a collection of great warmth undoubtedly will be assembled for him. He has appointed his agent to deliver the Rembrandt picture at Oxford and his friend Professor Horace Hartley, and Dr. C. E. L. White Oxford has received an offer from Emperor Wilhelm, who has promised to pay Mr. Roosevelt, and as soon as his program is finished he will go to him and be skinned and prepared on the spot.

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and that he means to kill them. Some people have accepted under any circumstances unless possible when the specimens are becoming too numerous.

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In selecting the three scientists to accompany Mr. Roosevelt, Secretary Mearns of the Smithsonian Institution chose some of the best naturalists in the country. Their chief, Major Mearns, is a real expert of the most beat corps of the army.

#### Ships' Sixth Sense.

It is impossible to comment on the beneficial possibilities of the subject, which is of interest to every shipper with the sixth sense that fish are supposed to possess—the ability to swim in the deep sea, the fact that

#### The Real Glory of Life.

To be a strong hand in the dark, to another in the life of need, to be a cup of strength in a stormy sea, in a crisis of weakness, to be the glory of life. —Hans Christian Andersen.

#### Nut for the Philosophers.

Suppose a tree is about to fall, will some of the high-bred experts explain why in falling it always crushes the man with small minds and hopefully the one hand needed among the number of them at its base? Atchison Globe.

#### Antiseptic Toothbrush.

In this day of frenzied cleanliness as the road to all health, happiness and content everything is invented with an eye to keeping us germ-free. Therefore the antiseptic toothbrush

#### Hard.

Another thing that's hard to understand is why your cold should always be so much worse than anybody else's.—Indianapolis News.

#### CARUSO'S RIVAL FOUND IN PARIS.

Trabadelo's Pupil Is Like Famous Tenor in Name, Voice and Presence.

Paris—in the belief of his teacher, who is one of the four great masters of singing in Paris, a new Caruso has been found. He is only 21 years old, but already bears Apollo and gives promise of someday rivaling the great Italian tenor in avowals as well as in vocal achievement.

The young tenor looks like Caruso and, still more strangely, there is a resemblance in name, for the boy's name is Caruso—Federico Caruso. But he is an Spaniard hailing from San Sebastian where from the time he

came to Paris he has been studying with the famous Spanish solo. With the exception of Caruso he outshines him, and Trabadelo, who is one of the three greatest of the international stars, has named him his successor.

No public records of any kind were made of General Palmer, whereabouts that not even among a certain number of relatives should be sought, and whereupon the date of birth, place of birth, family

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